

EDITORIAL

THIS VOLUME OF *Asian Perspectives* was planned to be the special issue on Indonesian prehistory, but that issue is not yet ready. Its editor and primary author, Dr. R. P. Soejono, has been working full time at planning and arranging for the 14th Congress of the Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association to be held in Yogyakarta from 25 August to 2 September 1990. If all of those who are on the preliminary program manage to appear, this should be the largest congress the association will ever have had. The special Indonesian issue of *Asian Perspectives* will still be forthcoming, we hope for Volume 30.

We are finally almost up to date. Even though it is a bit over two months behind, this issue is appearing in the same year that it is dated. We can now return to two issues (one year) per volume rather than having two years to a volume as has been the case for the previous four volumes. This issue includes the second article in a series on glass beads by Peter Francis, Jr., as well as an article of his on two bead strands recovered in India. The latter was meant for an earlier issue but was misplaced; your editor only came across it in the excavation of large accumulations of postponed communication on his various desks.

The next issue of *Asian Perspectives* will include papers presented in the symposium "Exchange, Interaction, and Social Complexity in Oceania," organized by Michael W. Graves and Terry Hunt for the 54th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology in Atlanta, Georgia, held in May 1989. This collection of papers includes studies of prehistoric exchange or interaction in Polynesia, Melanesia, Micronesia, and Southeast Asia. The papers contribute to our understanding of how exchange and interaction can be inferred from archaeological materials. Additionally, several of the papers examine the role of exchange in the development of prehistoric social organization.

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